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2. Ground Troops at Borstel Airfields

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1. STAAKEN (265), 8 March 1950

2. On the field were seven two-engine Dakotas, one Fieseler Storch, and one single-engine, low-winged monoplane (probably a Klemm 35). These were seen during the afternoon of 8 March.

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five Dakotas, one Fieseler Storch, and four YAK types were present during the same morning.

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b. There was no flight activity. All hangars were empty and their doors wide open.

2. ELSTAL (Z55), 8 March 1950

a. On the field were eighteen YAK-9, eight improved, two-seater IL-2, and one IL-10.

b. There was much practice flying, formations being flown in groups of two to six aircraft. Night flying without beacons began about 2100 hours, planes flying with navigation lights at about 300 meters altitude.

3. BORSTEL (Y75), 9 March 1950

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a. [] there have been no SAF units at BORSTEL, the former German parachute school field, since summer 1949. Barracks in the woods behind the hangars are occupied by troops wearing black straps without branch insignia. Some of these men were seen drilling with small arms and light MG's on the landing field, which lacks concrete runways.

b. Total strength at the Taentzien Kaserne is 4,380 men

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These troops appear to be riflemen without heavy weapons; those seen at drill on the airfield carried entrenching tools, light machine guns, machine pistols, and rifles. Parked in the barracks yard were about eighty trucks.

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